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ARREST RELEASE

ROCKFORD, ILL. – On Saturday, August 20, 2016, at approximately 12:20 p.m. patrol officers from the Rockford Police Department responded to the 3000 block of West State Street in reference to a shooting incident. When they arrived, officers located the victim, 19-year-old Samuel Hardgraves of Rockford, suffering from gunshot wounds to his arms and leg. Hardgraves was transported to a local hospital where he was treated for non-life threatening injuries.

Detectives from the Rockford Police Department conducted a follow-up investigation into the shooting and the results were reviewed by the Winnebago County State's Attorney's Office. As a result, charges were authorized and a warrant was issued for the suspect, 24-year-old Christopher Jackson of Rockford, for Aggravated Battery with a Firearm, Aggravated Discharge of a Firearm, Unlawful Use of Weapons by a Gang Member, and Armed Habitual Criminal.

ARRESTED: Christopher Jackson 24 years old Rockford, IL
CHARGES: Aggravated Battery with a Firearm
Aggravated Discharge of a Firearm
Unlawful Use of Weapons by a Gang Member
Armed Habitual Criminal
BOND: \$500,000

Jackson was lodged in the Winnebago County Jail where he is being held in lieu of bond. A photo of Jackson is attached electronically to this press release.

No further information is available for release at this time. Additional information will be released as it becomes available.

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All charges are merely allegations and parties are presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty in a court of law.

